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## While Castro's Firing Squads Volley

Congress and the American people are way ahead of the administration on the subject of Cuba. Last week, the House showed where it stands by passing a resolution, 401-2, accusing Castro's regime of being a Soviet outpost and urging all American states to take action against this satellite of Moscow.

President Kennedy and the White House brain-trusters, on the other hand, seem to have dropped Cuba like a hot potato after a CIA-staged invasion by Cuban refugees was a dismal flop.

The administration occasionally shakes a fist at Castro. Recently the President told the National Association of Broadcasters that "the story is not finally ended" in Cuba. But these empty gestures frighten no one—least of all Fidel.

Meanwhile, this Soviet-supported regime digs in deeper, arms itself better with Communist weapons and kills or imprisons every patriotic Cuban who was sympathetic to the foiled liberation plot.

With each passing day, getting rid of Castro

becomes more difficult.

The House condemnation of Cuba, and its plea to the Organization of American States to do something, now goes to the Senate. But even if Congress were to pass it almost unanimously, it remains to be seen whether OAS will take the action requested.

Representative Clare E. Hoffman, Michigan Republican and one of the two who voted against the resolution, pointed that out in a speech explaining his No vote. He said:

"We have come to a low level when we must call upon 21 members of the OAS to protect us from Communists and curb Castro. . . . Why don't we assert our own right to act for the preservation of our government?"

Many other Congressmen indicated they agreed with their Michigan colleague. They explained they were voting for the resolution only as "a first step."

The nation hopes Washington will not wait until the last Cuban patriot is executed by a Communist firing squad before the "next step" to liberate Cuba is taken.